

**Appln. No.: NOT YET ASSIGNED**  
**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1-3 (Cancelled).

4(New).        A ring seal assembly, comprising:

                a rubber ring seal having a periphery;

                a carrying frame extending about the periphery of said ring seal and including a plurality of mounting lugs extending from said carrying frame into said ring seal and being separable from said carrying frame so that said carrying frame can be selectively detached from said ring seal.

5(New).        The ring seal assembly of claim 4, wherein said carrying frame is made of re-usable plastics or metal material.

6(New).        The ring seal assembly of claim 4, wherein said carrying frame is disposable.

7(New).        The ring seal assembly of claim 4, wherein said carrying frame is fabricated of a material selected from the group consisting of: wire, plastic or cardboard.

8(New).        The ring seal assembly of claim 4, wherein said ring seal is molded about said mounting lugs.

9(New).        The ring seal assembly of claim 4, wherein the carrying frame is fabricated from a material different than that used to make said ring seal.